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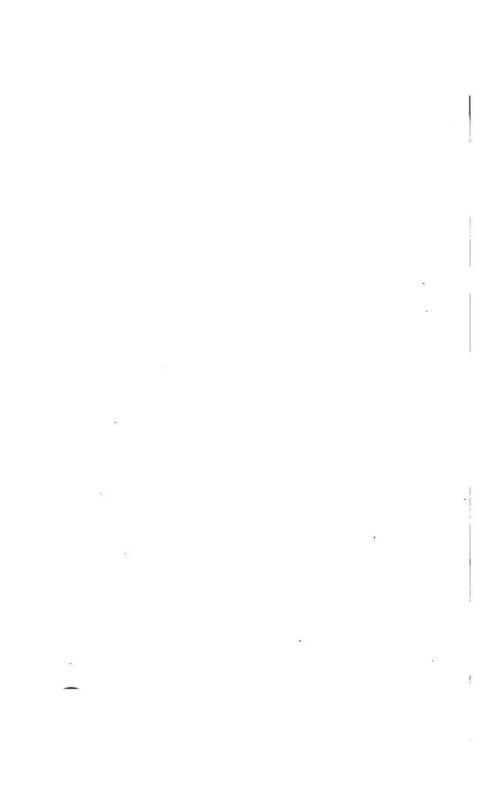
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Dedication

greatest calling in the economic world; to the men who have proven themselves true statesmen; to the men who live for progress, whose motto is "growth," whose symbol is "life" and whose characteristics are "industry, energy and optimism;" to the newest profession in the greatest nation under the sun, the commercial secretary, this book is humbly dedicated.



Preface

THE best way in which to build a city is through co-operation. The best way to secure co-operation is through the commercial organization.

These secured, the next step is "to do something" and it is to help in accomplishing this that this book has been written. During several years experience as a commercial secretary, the writer has come to the conclusion that the secretaries will appreciate the effort which has been necessary to compile the information contained herein covering experiences of commercial organizations in more than one hundred cities in meeting and solving some of the most important problems in city building.

This volume does not purport to give advice. It hardly assumes such proportions but, if it can be of value by way of suggestion and by giving at least a partial record of what many cities have and are doing for progress, then it will consider itself as worth while.

The profession of the commercial secretary is new. His work is arduous and complicated. There has been a paucity of effort to assist him. This book is the first effort to supply him with a guide and its purpose is to give suggestions along various progressive lines in this great calling of making cities better places in which to live and do business.

Therefore, with this declaration of purposes, this book is launched upon its voyage of existence with the hope that it may be composed of timber of a character to withstand the storms of criticism, the rocks of incompetence, the shoals of insufficiency and the ice and calms of indifference.

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